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In re PATENT APPLICATION of

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Title: OLIGOPEPTIDE LYOPHILISATE, THEIR PREPARATION AND USE

June 27, 2001

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of this CPA on the merits, kindly consider and enter the following preliminary amendment and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly enter the following amended claim into the record.

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(Amended) The method according to claim **%**,

wherein 1 part by weight of cetrorelix acetate is dissolved in 100 - 1000 parts by weight of a 30% strength (w/w) acetic acid solution and diluted with water to 3% strength aqueous acetic acid, and

wherein the bulking agent is mannitol.